

Torrance, California
November 4, 1940

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Special Meeting in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance, California, on Monday, November 4, 1940 at 5:00 P.M.

Mayor McGuire called the meeting to order.

Clerk Bartlett called the roll, those answering present being Councilmen: Babcock, Hitchcock, Powell and McGuire. Absent: Councilmen: Murray. Clerk Bartlett stated Councilman Murray had signified his consent to holding of the meeting.

Being a Special Meeting, the regular order of business was dispensed with.

Clerk Bartlett read the call of the meeting, being "for the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of Torrance to sign an agreement with the County of Los Angeles with reference to tax delinquent properties."

Mr. Haines of the Associated Assessment Engineers presented an agreement between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Torrance, said agreement pertaining to purchase and use of certain parcels of land described in Schedule A, Page 4 of said agreement.

After a short discussion regarding the total cost of the nine parcels of land involved, it being established at approximately \$500.00, Councilman Hitchcock moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement, subject to the approval of the City Attorney and provided the agreement is accepted by the County of Los Angeles. Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Babcock, Hitchcock, Powell and McGuire. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Murray.

Mr. Haines read a communication from the County of Los Angeles, Delinquent Tax Lands Committee, requesting that some person designated by the City Council fill out a questionnaire pertaining to purchase of certain tax deeded properties located within the City of Torrance, application for purchase of said properties having been submitted to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors by the City of Torrance. Two questionnaires were submitted, one to be returned to the Delinquent Tax Lands Committee, the other to be retained in the city of Torrance files.


Mr. Haines read the questionnaire, together with the answers filled in by him (Associated Assessment Engineers).

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the questionnaire be forwarded to the proper address. Councilman Babcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.


Regarding the application of the City of Torrance to the Board of Supervisors for purchase of 106 parcels of tax deeded property located in the Torrance Tract, Torrance, Mr. Haines advised that he feels a 25% reduction in cost of the lots might be obtained if applied for properly. He said the cost varies from \$15.00 to \$1800.00 per lot. He urged that some official be designated to meet with the Associated Assessment Engineers and the Delinquent Tax Lands Committee at some time convenient for all for discussion of said matter.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the Mayor, City Clerk and City Attorney be appointed to meet with the Associated Assessment Engineers and the Delinquent Tax Lands Committee for discussion of a possible reduction in cost of certain parcels of tax deeded properties. Councilman Babcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

At 5:20 P.M., upon motion of Councilman Babcock, seconded by Councilman Hitchcock, the meeting adjourned.


City Clerk of the City of Torrance

APPROVED:


Mayor of the City of Torrance